

6 OVERSEERS ON CIA NAMED BY PRESIDENT

Killian To Head Panel With Full Access To All Data

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Washington, May 4—President Kennedy formally established today a watchdog committee over foreign intelligence.

The President's new Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board will conduct a continuing review of the Central Intelligence Agency and of other executive departments in the foreign intelligence fields, and will report to the President at least every six months.

The President also named the six members of the board. The White House had announced previously that the board would be headed by Dr. James H. Killian, Jr., president of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Congress Seeks Panel

Today's action may have stopped a campaign by Congress to set up its own watchdog committee over the CIA and other intelligence organizations. The campaign has gained ground since the recent Cuban invasion fiasco. Besides Dr. Killian, the members of the board are:

Dr. William O. Baker, vice president of research for the Bell Telephone Laboratories;
Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, USAF (Ret.), board chairman of Space Technology Laboratories, Inc., of Los Angeles;
Dr. William L. Langer, Harvard University professor of history;
Robert D. Murphy, president of Corning Glass International, of Corning, N.Y.;
Gen. Maxwell Taylor, USA (Ret.), president of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, Inc., New York.

Doolittle On Earlier Board
General Doolittle and Dr. Baker were members of a similar group established in 1956 by President Eisenhower. They resigned, as is the custom, just before Mr. Kennedy's inauguration.

The earlier panel called the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities. Dr. Killian headed it from 1956 to 1958.

Today's executive order required the director of the CIA, Allen Dulles, and the heads of other departments concerned to make available to the board any requested information about foreign intelligence matters.

In a statement accompanying the release of the executive order, the President explained that the responsibilities assigned this board are of a continuing nature and encompass the total United States foreign intelligence effort.

Mr. Kennedy noted that this continuing review is completely distinct from the current government-wide study that General Taylor is making of para-military

activities, including intelligence and guerrilla warfare. Taylor is being aided in this study by Robert Kennedy, the Attorney General, and by Adm. Arthur Burke. The study is to end in June.

Changes Expected

Senator Mansfield (Mont.), the Democratic Senate leader, said on learning of the reactivation of the permanent advisory board that he expects further changes to be made to improve intelligence operations during the cold war.

He still expected, however, that the Senate will take some action to advance the pending bill creating a watchdog committee over the CIA.

Senator Humphrey (Minn.), the Democrats' assistant leader, predicted that Congress will move to oversee CIA unless the Executive Branch limits the agency's function to information gathering.

"I think steps are being taken downtown to consolidate the intelligence agencies," he said. "Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara ordered the consolidation of military intelligence units, and I would anticipate further changes to the end that a better and more efficient CIA would result."

The President also announced that the United States has entered into a food-for-peace agreement with Morocco.